





# SONOMA INDEX-TRIBUNE.

H. M. GRANT, EDITOR.  
SONOMA, DECEMBER 12, 1885.

## THE SUPERVISORS OUTWITTED.

An ordinance was passed by the Board of Supervisors at its November term having for its object the taxing of insurance companies doing business in the county. Section six of this ordinance makes it incumbent upon every insurance company doing business in Sonoma county to obtain a license and pay for the same. Companies rated as first class are to pay \$250 per year, and those of the second, third, fourth and fifth classes are taxed \$200, \$150, \$100 and \$50 in their order respectively. Now comes the Pacific Insurance Union, in a circular letter to its Sonoma county agents, and declares in effect that it will not pay this tax. In other words, it intends to make its policy holders pay it for them. The General Manager of the Union in the letter above alluded to says:

Pacific Insurance Union,  
General Manager's Office,  
San Francisco, Dec. 3, 1885.  
To the Agents in Sonoma County: All policies written to take effect on or after January 1st, or later, covering property located in your county, must be written at the present rate plus 10 per cent. in compliance with the following instructions to the General Manager, by the Pacific Insurance Union:

"Whereas, all expenses for transacting business must necessarily be added to the premium to be paid by the premium payer, and whereas, the ordinance recently passed by the Board of Supervisors of Sonoma County, approximately amounts to about 10 per cent. of the premiums received by companies in that County."

Resolved, That the General Manager be instructed to issue a notice to agents in Sonoma county that an additional premium or tax, equal to 10 per cent. of the present rates will be imposed upon all business in Sonoma county on and after the 1st day of January next.

ALFRED STELLMAN, Gen. Manager.

The Board of Supervisors in passing the ordinance intended to impose a tax on the wealthy insurance companies. In this it would seem they have signally failed. They have been outwitted by the Insurance Union. There now seems nothing left for the Supervisors to do but to repeal the ordinance, in order that an already extortionate insurance rate may not be increased 10 per cent. If this be not done property holders will have no other recourse than to refuse to insure on standard the increased rate. We can see no other way of getting around it.

No better evidence is wanted of the destitution of the working people of San Francisco than that furnished by the Police Court in that city the past week. It is a common thing for men and women to be arraigned before that tribunal for stealing the necessities of life. One day this week four men were up before Judge Rix. One was charged with stealing bread, another a sack of potatoes, a third with purloining a beefsteak, and the fourth a suit of clothes. With this condition of things existing on our golden shores, is it any wonder that the workmen and women of that city are clamoring for the Chinese to go? Can it be wondered at that steps are being taken to drive the despised race out of many of the interior towns of the State?

Letters received by the Immigration Association at San Francisco state that a number of the old soldiers who will come to California to attend the Grand Encampment of the G. A. R., next Spring, will come with the intention of staying if they can find desirable homes. We would recommend Sonoma Valley as a good place for them to locate in. Our local real estate agents have in their hands a number of choice ranches and vineyards for sale. Our climate is unsurpassed anywhere in the State for its salubrity, we have good schools and churches, and quick communication with San Francisco.

Wm. H. VANDERBILT, the most opulent man in America, dropped dead in the parlor of his Fifth Avenue residence, New York City, Tuesday afternoon. He was reputed to be worth \$200,000,000, and the bulk of his fortune will go to his son Cornelius.

The President made two important Pacific Coast appointments last week, viz: William J. Tinnin, Surveyor of Customs at San Francisco, and James E. Tucker to be Assistant Appraiser of Merchandise at San Francisco.

CARLISLE of Kentucky, who was Speaker of the House of Representatives during the last session, has been elected to the position again.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Congress assembled on Monday last and the two Houses organized. The Senate elected Senator Sherman President pro tem., and Mr. Carlisle was elected Speaker of the House, thus each House will be presided over by a member of the dominant party thereof, notwithstanding a large number of Republican journals throughout the Union had expressed a hope that the Senate would elect a Democrat to succeed the deceased Vice President, Thomas A. Hendricks.

On Tuesday the President's Annual Message was presented and read in each House; a most elaborate state paper, not unlike preceding messages in form, but treating the various subjects considered in a way peculiar to Grover Cleveland, and with more than average ability. The message starts out with a panegyric upon the late deceased Vice President, which Mr. Hendricks undoubtedly well merited. He next congratulates the country upon its happy condition in being at peace with all foreign nations, explains the condition of affairs between the United States and near neighbors, the misunderstanding with Austro-Hungary, which leaves this government without a Minister Plenipotentiary at Vienna, the Diplomatic service, in the latter recommending a "recast of the appropriations for the maintenance of diplomatic and consular service commensurate with the importance of our national interests," after which he discusses the condition of the National Treasury, and shows that the excess of income over expenditures ascertained and estimated will add \$70,000,000 to the present large surplus in the Treasury; leaves the National debt unconsidered except incidentally, and recommends a reduction of the revenues to the "actual needs of an economical administration of the Government." The President then deals with the silver question, recommending that "a reasonable delegation of power to the General Government would limit the exercise of the law (Bland Silver Law and amendments), without express restrictive words, to the people's needs and the requirements of the public welfare," discussing the silver question at length from a "gold standard" stand-point and giving the subject greater prominence than any other topic that figures in the message. He winds up the important document with copious remarks upon Life and Health Interests, Army, Navy, Postoffice Department and Department of Justice, and finishing off with the Indian Problem, the Mormon Question and Civil Service Reform, commending the law as it exists in unqualified terms saying: "I venture to hope that we never shall again be committed to the system which distributes public positions purely as a reward for partisan service. Doubts may well be entertained whether our Government could survive the strain of a continuance of this system which, upon every change of administration, inspires an immense army of claimants for office to lay siege to the patronage of the Government, engrossing the time of public officers with their importunities, spreading abroad the contagion of their disappointment and filling the air with the tumult of their discontent."

THE Mutual Life Endowment and Benevolent Association of America, with headquarters at Fort Worth, Texas, and division offices at Greenville, S. C., and San Francisco, has suspended payment. Hundreds of poor people will suffer by the failure. The organization has collected over \$1,000,000 and now has \$14,000 on hand. A loss of confidence on the part of the members has caused the stoppage of payments on assessments, and this, in turn, caused the suspension of payments on coupons. It is asserted that the Pacific Coast department of the Association is in no wise affected by the suspension.

A RESIDENT of Santa Rosa lately complained to the police that his poultry was being stolen. When the thief was discovered it proved to be his son.

SENATOR JOHN SHERMAN of Ohio has been elected Speaker pro tem of the Senate. Logan declined the honor in caucus.

It is rumored that Lord Salisbury has resigned.

SENATOR DOLPH's bill, introduced in the Senate on Monday to repeal the Timber Culture, Pre-emption and Desert Land Acts, provides that in place of these modes of entering land all persons entitled under the laws to make a homestead entry shall be entitled to enter a section or less of desert or mountainous land. Desert and mountainous lands are defined as all lands, exclusive of timber and mineral lands, which will not produce agricultural crops without irrigation, and all lands which are so mountainous and rough that they cannot be plowed and cultivated. The bill further provides that any forty-acre tract of which three-fourths is desert or mountainous shall be called desert or mountainous land.

## SANTA ROSA NEWS.

[Daily Democrat.]  
A few days ago the Mark West Springs changed hands. It was bought for \$7,500. The mortgage on it was for \$10,000. We have not yet ascertained what the present owner intends to do with it.

The Governor has pardoned Geo. F. Gould, who, at the August term, 1884, of the Superior Court of this county, was convicted of the crime of embezzlement and sentenced to the State Prison at San Quentin for the term of two years and a half.

J. C. Sargent died in Santa Rosa on Monday, November 7th. He was Justice of the Peace of Santa Rosa township, his office being the same as Justice Brown's. He was a member of the G. A. R. and of the Odd Fellows. His remains were taken to San Francisco on Tuesday afternoon, and were received by the latter, under whose auspices the burial services were conducted.

Suit has been brought by the District Attorney against O. Frugoli, who keeps a saloon near the depot on Fourth street, to recover \$81, due for back license. This is the first suit that has been instituted to collect these licenses, and as the result will form a precedent for all unpaid licenses of this character, the termination will be looked for by both the District Attorney and those from whom the licenses are due, with much interest. The papers have been made out and the suit will probably come off during this week.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

UNION HOTEL.		JONES' HOTEL.	
S. E. Williams, Fresno	S. H. Williams, Columbia	H. McIntire, S. F.	Mrs. M. K. Cady, Agua Cal.
Mr. Van Dusen, Petaluma	G. A. Leighton, Oakland	D. Harrison, Santa Rosa	G. T. Tule, Glen Ellen
W. Whiting, Oshawa	M. Goodrich, S. F.	A. Brewster, Sonoma	J. H. Kiley & wife, S. F.
T. Lieblich, do	E. Olerich, do	Ed Wall, do	Mrs. M. H. Ross, Canada
H. Love, do	G. Schilling, do	F. Wiese, Hyde's Ranch	Ed Gillan, Sonoma
H. Perry, do	M. Slatner & w., do	Geo. Williams, W. T.	
L. Fahn, do	P. Lowenberg, do		
L. Norman, do	G. Bowser, do		
E. Perley, do	G. B. Chase, do		
G. Cook, do	C. Pearce, do		
G. H. Sargent, do	H. Tangenrich, do		
B. O. McLaughlin, do	Phil Jacoby, do		
R. E. Fogal, do	G. Schilling, do		
H. Harrison, do	S. P. Tenhous, do		
G. Amier, do	Mr. Dickinson, do		
W. H. McVracken, do	P. Reno, do		
W. A. Titcomb, do			

## NEW TO-DAY.

## MASONIC NOTICE.

A STATED MEETING OF TEMPLE Lodge No. 14, will be held on SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 13, 1885. Election of officers.  
F. L. CLARK, Sec'y.  
Sonoma, December 12, 1885.

F. A. PAULI,  
PROPRIETOR  
CENTRAL MARKET  
Napa St., South side Plaza, Sonoma.

FRESH VEGETABLES, LIMES, LEMONs, Tropical Fruits in season, Fresh Sausages, Preserved and Pickled Fish and Meats, California and Foreign Cheese, Delicacies, etc.

Fresh Meats of all Kinds  
Constantly on hand.

NEW YEAR'S CARDS  
Latest and Neatest Designs!  
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Send in Orders Early.

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**Red Star**  
TRADE MARK.  
**COUGH CURE**  
Free from Opium, Ammonia and Poison.  
ABSOLUTELY  
SAFE  
SURE.  
PROMPT.  
25 Cts.

**ST. JACOBS OIL**  
TRADE MARK.  
THE GREAT  
**GERMAN REMEDY**  
For Pain.

**GOLD RING FOUND.**  
NEAR STUART'S PLACE, GLEN ELLEN, on Monday, November 20th, a gentleman's plain gold ring. Owner is requested to call on H. Jaeger, at Kahle & Frothing's ranch, prove ownership and pay for advertising the same.

**GRAND GYMNASIUM EXHIBITION**  
—BY THE—  
**SAN FRANCISCO ATHLETIC CLUB.**  
—ON—  
Saturday Evening, Dec. 19, 1885,  
AT UNION HALL,  
SONOMA.

THE FOLLOWING GENTLEMEN WILL APPEAR:  
MESSRS.  
**CLEMENT J. SCHUSTER**  
—AND—  
**CHAS. HARTMANN,**  
Competitors in the American Games at Newark, N. J., and the World's Games, Dresden, Germany.

Mr. OTTO GIERCH, late of Berlin.

Mr. OSCAR HAUSER, of Chicago.

MESSRS.  
F. McCLOSKEY & JOHN SCHUSTER,  
of San Francisco.

After the Entertainment  
**DANCING UNTIL 11:45.**  
Admission 50cts a Person.  
Children, under Twelve Years, 25cts.

THE

**The Farmers' NEW STORE**  
GLEN ELLEN.

Having permanently located in the village of Glen Ellen, I beg to call the attention of the public to my

**New Stock**  
—OF—  
**GENERAL MERCHANDISES**  
Which has been Carefully Selected, and is of the  
**VERY BEST QUALITY,**  
And which I will sell at the  
**Very Lowest Price.**

My Stock Consists of all Varieties of Farmers Goods:  
**AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS**  
**HARDWARE,**  
**WOOLEN GOODS,**  
**CALICOES,**  
**WOSTARDS,**  
**GINGHAMs,**  
**RED & BLUE FLANNELS,**  
**LADIES' & MISSES' SHOES,**  
**LADIES' GLOVES,**  
**BOOTS & SHOES,**  
**UNDERWEAR,**  
**CLOTHING,**  
**Underwear and Hats & Caps**  
And a Full Stock of  
**Mens' Suits,**  
From \$10 Upward.  
All Goods Guaranteed.

I will also Pay Cash for all kinds of Country Produce. Checks on the Santa Rosa, Sonoma and San Francisco Banks, with proper endorsement, will be cashed at my store.

**Come and Examine my Stock.**  
I shall continue to increase my stock daily until the entire community can be supplied with every want.

**I have only One price and that is the Lowest Possible Price**

**C. O. Borman,**  
GLEN ELLEN.

## BADGER & CO'S COLUMN.

**SONOMA FURNITURE STORE.**  
Dwellings,  
HOTELS,  
HALLS,  
SCHOOLS and  
LODGE ROOMS  
**FURNISHED**  
—IN—  
ELEGANT OR PLAIN STYLE  
**VERY CHEAP FOR CASH**  
OR ON THE  
**INSTALLMENT PLAN.**

**FULL SETS OF**  
**Parlor, Chamber**  
—AND—  
**KITCHEN FURNITURE,**  
CARPETS,  
**STOVES,**

**Tin & Agate Ware,**  
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GLASSWARE, MIRRORS,  
**PICTURES, CHROMOS**  
—AND—  
**Oil Paintings,**  
PICTURE-FRAMES,  
Cornices, Curtain Poles, Lace  
Curtains, Matting, Rugs,  
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**No Trouble to Show Goods!**

**DON'T GO AWAY TO BUY GOODS, YOU CAN DO BETTER AT HOME.**

**COME AND SEE US!**

**C. F. BADGER & CO.**  
SONOMA, CAL.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

**JUST RECEIVED**  
**NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!**

**Stock Gents' Boots & Shoes,**  
AT LOW PRICES.

**BIG REDUCTION IN LADIES' SHOES.**  
Ladies' Shoes have been Marked Down from \$2 50 and \$3 50 to \$1 and \$2 50.

I Keep Constantly on Hand a Large Assortment of  
**FAMILY GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.**  
GIVE ME A CALL.

**S. SCHOCKEN,**  
NORTH SIDE OF PLAZA, SONOMA.

**JUST ARRIVED.**  
**Holiday Goods!**

**Novelties in Picture and Photograph Albums.**  
**Handsomely Decorated China Ware,**  
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**JEWELRY IN NEW STYLES, VERY PRETTY,**  
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**TOYS, BOOKS, Etc., Etc.**

**Why go Abroad to Make Your Purchases when you can do as well at**

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**CORBALEY & HARRIS,**  
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First-class Stables in all Departments  
**WHOLE CORN, WHOLE BARLEY, WHEAT, OATS, CRACKED CORN, BRAN, GROUND BARLEY, MIDDINGS.**  
Oil Cake Meal, Chicken Feed, Etc.,  
For Sale at a Small Margin for Cash.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

**GLEN ELLEN**

**COOPER SHOP.**  
FRED FRANCK, Proprietor.

HAVING OPENED A NEW COOPER shop in Glen Ellen I am prepared to manufacture  
**BARRELS, PIPES, TANKS, Etc**  
All Work Warranted.  
Give Me a Call.

**NEW MEAT MARKET**  
—AT—  
**GLEN ELLEN.**

I take this means of informing the people of Glen Ellen and vicinity that I shall open a first-class Meat Market, Fruit and Vegetable Stand in Glen Ellen, on Tuesday, November 11th. Fresh fish every Thursday. All orders delivered free of charge, Hoping to merit a share of the public patronage, I am, yours respectfully,  
oct 11 J. W. GIBSON.

**ESTRAY NOTICE.**  
CAME TO MY PREMISES, TWO and one-half miles from Sonoma, on or about the 1st of August, one small RED COW, seven or eight years old, marked as follows: Point of left ear cropped and light ear swallow-tailed and under-pieced. The owner is requested to call, prove property, pay charges and take the animal away.  
Sonoma, Oct. 31, 1885. FRANK TATE.

**FOR SALE**  
ONE SPAN OF GOOD WORK HORSES, NEW Harness and First-class Farm Wagon. Inquire of HENRY WEYL, Sonoma, Sonoma, October 9, 1885.

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When you need anything in the line of  
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**Circulars,**  
**Programmes,**  
**Invitations,**  
**Posters,**  
**Dodgers,**  
**Wine Labels**  
**Hunting Notices,**  
**Tags,**  
**Horse Bills,**  
**Etc., Etc.**



SONOMA INDEX-TRIBUNE.  
SONOMA, DECEMBER 12, 1883.  
CITY OFFICIAL PAPER.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Rasch's cigars take the bakery.\*  
Hunting notices printed at this office.  
When you want a cigar ask for Rasch's.\*  
The best of accommodations at the Union Hotel.\*  
If you have poultry you wish to sell go to Christie's.\*  
For Sale: Resistant rooted out-tings—Elvira and Lenoir.\*  
O. R. Rurus.\*  
Heavy frosts have prevailed in the valley the past week.\*  
Five carloads of wine were shipped from Glen Ellen yesterday.\*  
New Year's Cards printed at this office. Latest and neatest designs. Just received at A. F. Pauli & Co.'s, a large invoice of cream biscuits.\*  
If you wish to purchase eggs, cheap for cash, go to Christie's Egg Depot.\*  
Miss Melendy has received her appointment as teacher of the Glen Ellen school.\*  
Go to Pauli's for your Christmas presents. Toys and fancy goods in endless variety.\*  
The Novelty Social Club will give a grand invitation ball New Year's Eve, December 31st, at Union Hall.\*  
Send in your orders early for New Year visiting cards. The latest styles at the Index-Tribune office.\*  
If you have eggs for sale, take them to Christie's Egg Depot. It pays the highest market price for them—cash, down.\*  
The Union Hotel is doing a rushing business. Don't forget that this hotel is becoming more popular every day.\*  
Left at Badger's Furniture Store a pair of buck driving gloves, which the owner can have by paying for this notice.\*  
Christie has always on hand the finest of Spring chickens for the table, which he will dispose of at reasonable prices.\*  
George Estes has plowed up the ground next to the Plaza on Napa Street, preparatory to the laying of a sidewalk thereon.\*  
Mrs. S. F. Vasil of San Francisco was called to the death-bed of her sister, Mrs. J. U. Waters of this place, yesterday.\*  
Mrs. Martin, principal of the Sonoma Public School, is visiting relatives at Santa Rosa. She will be absent about three weeks.\*  
Workmen are engaged in grading First Street East and when that work is finished the sidewalk on that street will be widened and newly planed.\*  
The Union Hotel is becoming quite a resort for city visitors to Sonoma. The fame of this hotel is becoming well known to travelers and pleasure seekers.\*  
Henry Raschen, A. C. Haubert, A. F. Pauli and Chas. Donahue, of Bear Flag Lodge No. 97, K. of P., paid a fraternal visit to Santa Rosa Lodge No. 87, last Tuesday evening.\*  
Just as we go to press we learn of the sad and sudden death of Mrs. J. U. Waters, a lady well-known and highly esteemed in the this valley. She was stricken with paralysis on Thursday and expired at 3 o'clock the following afternoon.\*  
Our people should all attend the athletic exhibition to be given by the San Francisco Athletic Club in the Union Hall on the 19th. We should all feel kindly toward such entertainments, which we know are beneficial, as we have such a society in our own city.\*  
Nothing is so reliable as Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for colds, coughs, in short for any and all derangements of the respiratory organs, which tend towards consumption. In all ordinary cases it is a certain cure, and it affords sure relief for asthma and consumption, even in advanced stages.\*  
The dissolution of the firm of Pauli & Levy is announced in today's paper, the latter retiring. The business will be conducted in the future by Mr. F. A. Pauli, a gentleman well-known in this community for his business integrity. All bills due the late firm are payable to him and they have been put in the hands of G. W. Sparks for collection.\*  
New Year's is drawing near and many of our society ladies are already preparing to receive callers. One week before New Year's day the Index-Tribune will publish a list of names of those ladies who will receive callers. Already a number of ladies have sent in their names and the list promises to be quite large. Ladies who intend to receive on that day will be represented in our list if they will kindly send in their names.\*  
An Indian woman, about forty years of age, was found dead by two young men, in an old cabin, on the Northorn place, situated in the hills about three miles north of town, last Monday. The officers were notified and shortly after the body was brought to town and Coroner King of Petaluma telegraphed for. Upon his arrival a jury was impaneled and after hearing the evidence of the dead woman's husband, which was in fact that she had been illing for several weeks, they brought in a verdict that her death was brought about by natural causes.

SINGULAR POISONING.

A Family Made Drunk from Eating Toadstools.

A singular poisoning case occurred on Wednesday of last week, at Lyons Station, a few miles from town. On the day in question an Italian family, consisting of a man, his wife and child, partook heartily at their noonday meal of cream-colored toadstools, which, being white underneath, had all the appearance of mushrooms. Shortly after eating all were taken violently sick. They were seized with intense pains in the region of the stomach and shortly after lapsed into a state of intoxication. They staggered about and went through all the antics of drunken people. Dr. Lawrence was hastily summoned and when he arrived found the family stupefied as though from the effects of liquor—in fact the toadstools had made them all gloriously drunk. Emetics were given and the man and woman relieved in a short time. The child, however, was not so fortunate, and at this writing, although somewhat improved, is not entirely recovered. Now that mushroom-gathering is all the rage, it would be well for those who are fond of them to be on their guard. Cream-colored toadstools are easily mistaken for mushrooms. To be on the safe side one should select only those that are pink underneath. Another good test is to put a bright half-dollar in the stew pan, while cooking, and after being in a short time it will become discolored if there be any toadstools in the pan; if not discolored you can be sure you have the simon pure mushroom.\*  
First Street East to be Improved.  
The City Trustees met in special session last Saturday to examine and inquire into the matter of grading First Street East. All the members were present, A. F. Haraszthy occupying the chair.  
It was moved by Trustee Weyl and seconded by Trustee McHarvey, that the Clerk post notices inviting bids for removing the soil above the grade line on First Street East and putting curb planks in place along the east side of the Plaza, according to specifications, said bids to be opened at a meeting to be held on Monday, December 7th, at 3 p. m. Carried.  
The Board reconvened on Monday and the following bids were received and opened: J. E. Poppe, \$147 50; J. H. Sackett, \$100; A. J. Van Avery, \$175.  
It was then moved by Trustee Wegner and seconded by Trustee Cornelius that J. H. Sackett, being the lowest bidder, be awarded the contract, the work to be done according to specifications. Carried.  
Trustee Cornelius moved that the Street Committee purchase the material to be used in the above work, also, one or two thousand feet of bridge plank. Carried.  
The Trustees then adjourned to meet the first Wednesday in January.

The Coming Exhibition.

The gymnastic exhibition to be given by the San Francisco Athletic Club, at Union Hall, on the 19th inst., will be one of the most attractive entertainments that has ever taken place in Sonoma. All the performers are members of the San Francisco Turn Verein and are celebrated acrobats and gymnasts. Mr. Chas. Hartmann will appear in club swinging, parallel pyramids and vaulting horse, Messrs. Clement and John Schuster will introduce their parlor acrobatics, and Chas. Hartmann and John Schuster will perform on parallel bars and will also appear in burlesque wrestling. Other features will be introduced and the performance will close with "The Hotentots," a very comical acrobatic act. The club will bring with them from the city excellent music, and after the performance a social hop will take place.

Clay Literary Society.

The attendance at the hall of Clay Literary Society last Monday evening was unusually large, the attraction being the excellent programme gotten up for the occasion by Dr. McMahon, that task having been allotted to him by the society. The programme for next Monday will be as follows:

An Evening with Longfellow..... By the Society  
Biographical Sketch..... Rev. H. H. Wilcox  
Selection..... Miss J. T. Perkins  
Recitation..... Miss C. Perkins  
Selection..... Mr. Fountain  
Treatise..... Mrs. H. H. Wilcox  
Recitation..... Mrs. B. Nell and Mr. Mullin  
Selection..... Dr. McMahon  
Recitation..... Miss K. McConnell  
Oratorical Report..... Mr. B. F. Campbell

An Unjust Verdict Set Aside.

Last Monday the case of Winters vs. Graves came up again in the Superior Court at Santa Rosa. Judge Temple, after listening to the argument of the counsel, set aside the verdict, rendered some time since, and ordered a new trial. It will be remembered that the jury on the former trial awarded Winters \$8,000 damages by reason of Dr. Graves' alleged improper treatment of plaintiff's wife, who had received an injury to her ankle. The parties are residents of Petaluma. The Judge's reasons for setting aside the judgement were that the instructions given to the jury were erroneous and prejudicial to defendant.

THE SONOMA PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Interesting Closing Exercises by the Pupils.

The Graduates Scholars Promoted—Roll of Honor.

On Friday of last week the Sonoma Public School held its closing exercises. The parents and friends of the pupils were out in force and the seating capacity of the rooms were inadequate to accommodate the large number present. In view of this fact we would suggest that when the next class graduates a hall be secured and the exercises held in the evening. The rooms in which the exercises were held were beautifully and tastefully decorated by the teachers and scholars and everything was done to conduce to the comfort of those present.

The exercises opened with a vacation song by the school, which was followed by readings, recitations and singing by a number of the pupils.

THE GRADUATES.

The young lady graduates—Miss Arvilla Cheney and Miss Gabrielle Aguilon—were then introduced and read in turn their graduating essays. Miss Cheney took for her subject "Queen Elizabeth" and Miss Aguilon "The Crusaders." Both young ladies acquitted themselves in an admirable manner which reflected great credit, not only on themselves but also on the principal of the school, Mrs. F. M. G. Martin. The studies mastered by these young ladies are embraced in what is known as the Carmine Course and prepares them for admission into the State University. An important part of their school work has been to prepare from memory, after a thorough reading and analysis, abstracts of the English classics, prose and poetry, which are laid down in the course. Both Miss Aguilon and Miss Cheney after reading their essays were warmly applauded and received many congratulations.

SHORT ADDRESSES.

Short addresses were then made by Rev. H. H. Wilcox and B. F. Campbell, after which Mrs. Martin, in a few appropriate remarks, closed the exercises, and thus ended one of the most fruitful and satisfactory terms ever held in the school.

HONORABLY PROMOTED.

During the week's examination all those pupils whose names have appeared upon the Roll of Honor for the past three months, as published in these columns, were required to pass the regular monthly examination only, as their average of studies were at least 85 per cent, that being the lowest per centage which entitled them to a place upon the Roll of Honor. All, however, who were not honorably promoted were required to undergo an examination upon everything passed over during the term, an average of 75 per cent. being required to ensure promotion.

Following were successful in being honorably promoted:

Mamie Gaffney, Susie Shaw, John Skinner, Lillie Dunn, Eddie Ewell, Florence Linehan, Eva Snyder, George Estes, Mollie Skinner, Susie Cheney, Albert Dunn, Joanna Tobin, Willie Glynn, Grace Shaw, George Porter, Sarah Jones, Annie Waller, Ella McIntyre, Florence Campbell, Zoos Clark, James Glynn, Chas. Cheney, Rose Levy, Jennie DeMerritt, Nellie Carriger, Grace Lyon, Charles Butler, Pressy Smith, Alcock Martin, Herbert Shaw, Annabelle McDonald, Grace Perkins, William Pauli, Matilda Bullotti, Henry Woyl, Effie McCaskie, Formosa Henderson, George Jones, Henry Carriger, Carrie Levy, Lizzie Carriger, Howard Munfrey, Sadie McHarvey, Oscar Campbell, Annie Sheafe, Joe Golden, Nellie Sackett, Eddie Burnham, Tom Willett, Pearl Manuel, Addie Snyder, Bertha Campbell, Bertie Burnham, Harry Shaw, Harvey Perkins, George Carr, Jennie Bullotti, Pauline Bates, Charlie Hanks, Fred Estes, Wm. Fischer, Watson DeMerritt, Willie Dunn, Willie Linehan, George Cooper, Fred Fischer, Charlie Stone, Hubert Munfrey, Bertha Manuel, Clair Hope, Annie Dunn, Charlie Bain, Richie Smith, Fred Bullotti, Clarence Cheney, Lena Shaw, Mary Jones, Ernestine Fischer, Adolph Heydt.

PROMOTED ON EXAMINATION.

Following were promoted on examination: Ralph King, George Walther, David Jones, Lillie Dunn, George Waters, Robbie Gilbert, Frank Gilbert, David Carr, Robert Bain, Louis Fouts.

REGULAR ATTENDANCE.

The following pupils have not been absent during the whole term: Susie Shaw, Clara Cheney, Susie Cheney, Mamie Gaffney, Zoos Clark, Eddie Ewell, Arvilla Cheney, Joanna Tobin, Ferdie Pauli, Gustave Pauli, Elsie Tobin, Herbert Shaw.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Following is the roll of honor for the month ending December 5th: MRS. MARTIN'S ROOM.  
Arvilla Cheney, George Porter, Mamie Gaffney, Grace Shaw, Susie Shaw, Annie Waller.

Gabrielle Aguilon, Sarah Jones, Lillie Dunn, Ella McIntyre, John Skinner, John Skinner, Eddie Ewell, Florence Linehan, Eva Snyder, George Estes, Susie Cheney, Albert Dunn, Willie Glynn, Willie Glynn, Pressy Smith, Grace Lyon, Allie Martin, Sadie McHarvey, Eddie Burnham, Oscar Campbell, Annie Sheafe, Robbie Gilbert, Effie McCaskie, Carrie Levy, Matilda Bullotti, Henry Carriger, George Jones, Watson DeMerritt, Charlie Stone, William Fischer, Clarence Cheney, George Cooper, Fred Bullotti, Willie Dunn, Mollie Skinner, Harvey Perkins, Bertha Campbell, Bertie Burnham, Harry Shaw, Charlie Hanks, George Carr, Fred Estes, Hubert Munfrey.

MISS MORSON'S ROOM.  
Joe Golden, Charlie Stone, Tom Willett, Pearl Manuel, Grace Porter, Herbert Shaw, Formosa Henderson, Henry Woyl, Annie McDermott, Gustave Pauli, Lizzie Carriger, Howard Munfrey, George Jones, Charlie Stone, Bertha Manuel, Clarence Cheney, Lena Shaw, Fred Bullotti, Ernestine Fischer, Adolph Heydt, Annie McDermott, Richard Smith, Claire Hope, Pauline Bates, Jennie Bullotti, Charlie Bain.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
SANTA ROSA, Monday, Dec. 7, 1883.  
The Board of Supervisors for the county of Sonoma met in regular monthly session at their rooms in the Court House on Monday, December 7, 1883, at 10 o'clock A. M. Present—Supervisors Connolly, O'Hara, Allen, Coulter and Supervisor Ellis in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Clerk, and approved by the Board.

Superintendent of Public Schools Smyth made the following proposition to the Board: "That as Mr. Ames, a member of the Board of Education, cannot meet with the Board at any time, on account of business connection in San Francisco, his resignation be accepted and another person be appointed to fill the vacancy." No official action could be taken on the same, as the resignation of Mr. Ames had not been regularly received.

Supervisor Coulter made the following motion: In the matter of the application of J. N. McEllish, for correction of error in assessment. This matter having passed from the jurisdiction of this Board, it was referred to the County Assessor for such future relief as may be just. Adopted.

At 11:50 A. M., on motion of Supervisor Allen, the Board adjourned until 1 P. M. AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Board reconvened at 1 P. M., the members all present and Supervisor Ellis in the chair. The resignation of C. G. Ames, just received by telegram, was read and accepted. Mr. Allen made a motion in regard to electing a member of the Board of Education to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of C. G. Ames, that it be made the order of the Board that A. G. Burnett be appointed to fill said vacancy. The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Connolly to have the town clock illuminated after dark. On motion of Mr. Coulter, the matter was postponed until Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, December 9th.

Supervisor Connolly made a motion that it be made the order of the Board that from and after December 6th no further allowance be made for the payment of Assistant District Attorney.

Mr. Allen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Coulter, to amend the foregoing by striking out December 6th and inserting January 1, 1884. Carried.

The rest of the Coroner was accepted and placed on file.

Deputy Marshal Mook reported Mrs. Hoffman, whose husband committed suicide, as being in destitute circumstances and in need of public aid; also Mrs. N. J. Stanley of Annapolis, who is similarly situated.

On motion of Mr. O'Hara, \$10 per month was granted to each.

The list of money appropriated to individuals and persons amounted to \$281 50, was approved and placed on file.

The following bills were allowed: Reed & McGregor, \$15; Kopf & Muller, \$21; R. Smith, Jr., \$131 06; C. M. Dumbach, \$22 50; Steamer Gold and owners, \$10 55; J. W. Ragsdale, \$77 25; Henry Kronke, \$3 50; P. H. Denman, \$4; Sonoma Democrat Publishing Company, \$30 00; W. F. Shattuck, \$57 03; P. Morstead, \$123 80; M. Burrows, \$12; J. H. French, \$28; J. King, \$23; J. F. Mulgrew, \$245; G. A. Tupper, \$12; G. W. Lewis, \$1; Julio Carrillo, \$30 50; J. A. Garratt, \$91 35; T. C. Bishop, \$386 30; W. C. Good & Co., \$26; J. Claypool, \$75; Burger & Allen, \$22 92; Noonan & Towey, \$51 49; E. D. Carter, \$99 32; Martin Muller, \$50; W. H. Van Doren, \$39 30; J. Kum, \$30; H. Suse, \$30; Miss Rosa Kennedy, \$30; Mrs. L. E. Claypool, \$50; Taylor & Dunbar, \$19 70; Goldsall, Wilson & Co., \$4; W. E. H. French, \$35 50; M. S. Davis, \$12; G. F. King, \$52 90; J. B. Millington, \$23 95; J. F. Naughton, \$2 50.

On motion of Supervisor Allen the Board adjourned until Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

TREASURER'S REPORT.  
State Fund..... \$10,510 04  
Road and improvement..... 1,389 75  
Unappropriated Fund..... 10,821 22  
General Fund..... 72 09  
School Fund..... 84 46  
School Fund appropriation..... 8,981 02  
Relate Fund..... 232 94  
Bridge Fund..... 71 38  
Swanwick Fund..... 102 00  
Rural Fund..... 2,432 53  
Teachers' Institute Fund..... 210 96  
Total..... \$41,621 27

COUNTY INDEBTEDNESS.  
Amount Sonoma county bonds issued..... \$9,000 00  
Outstanding at 5 per cent..... 261,000 00  
Funds loaned—see interest..... 50 00  
Total..... \$270,050 00  
G. A. TUPPER, County Treasurer.

Tuesday, Dec. 8th.  
The Board after listening to the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting and approving the same, allowed the following bills:  
Wm. & Co., full supplies..... \$10 50  
John Hood, repairing clock..... 2 00  
W. C. Good & Co., Court House supplies..... 100 00  
D. C. Allen, Bakery Assistant District Attorney 100 00  
D. C. Allen, postage..... 4 00  
Jas. McConnell, coal and oil..... 15 00  
Supervisor Coulter brought up the matter of license, and much discussion followed. Mr. Coulter was in favor of amending section 3, of Ordinance 10, as follows: That no license shall be issued for the sale of spirituous, malt or fermented liquors for a shorter term than one-quarter of a year, and that any person desiring to begin during any quarter a business liable to a license tax may, upon payment of a pro rata amount of the regular quarterly license, obtain permission to carry on the business for the remainder of the term.

Mr. Allen said that the amendment was not necessary, as section 4, Ordinance 10, covered the amendment proposed by Mr. Coulter. After some further discussion the matter was dropped. Mr. Coulter withdrawing his amendment.  
The matter of opening the bids for the construction of a fence and general improvements around the Court House then came up, and the same was postponed until Thursday, December 10th, at 1 P. M.  
A petition was received, signed by some twenty settlers, requesting that a road be opened from the Petrified Forest to the Sonoma and Napa road. The matter was again brought up, and after considerable talk was allowed.  
A communication from Franz Valley, signed by several persons, stating that O. W. Whitcomb was in a destitute condition and in need of assistance from the county, was received. He was allowed \$15 a month for two months.  
A report of the viewers of the road to connect the Coleman Valley road with the public road at Meeker's mill, was taken up, and \$175 allowed G. Taylor for constructing said road.  
The Board then adjourned until Wednesday, at 9 A. M.

AN ARCHITECT'S OPINION.

Mr. Edward Sidel was the chief assistant to the architect for the Exposition Buildings at New Orleans. He writes that he used St. Jacobs Oil with the best effects in a severe case of rheumatism, and recommends it to all similarly afflicted as the quickest and most certain remedy.

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When she had Children, she gave them

CASTORIA.

Track laying on the extension of the North Pacific Coast Railroad above Dunbar's Mills was to have commenced Monday. If the weather continues good about five miles of track will be laid this week, and next week the road will be completed to Ingram's, a distance of eight miles from the present terminus.

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Rescuing some dirty rascal from a watery grave at the back of your own life! Very well, we shall see with Catherine will have to say to you, "hope she will scold you severely." Raymond said, himself frowning as a thought to the girl as he could, whom he thought to be the sweetest sister in the world.

"Catherine will say I am right—always am," retorted Jessica, audaciously.

"You are a conceited little puss. Come, there is one train for home and there they hurried out and scrambled on their train."

Catherine did not scold Jessica for rescuing the unfortunate little boy or her friend from drowning, but she had to bear all of the particulars—after she had put Jessica to bed.

"I would not let Stella write you my 'brave deed,' as she called it; and as I felt no ill effects from it except this cold, I insisted on coming home at the appointed time in spite of her remonstrances," related the damsel.

Catherine regarded her gravely. "Come of these days you will sacrifice your life for another's."

"Don't predict such a gloomy end for me," Jessica laughed. "Now, I think, if you will go away, I can go to sleep, and in the morning I shall be well."

Jessica soon recovered from the effects of her icy bath, and was her old winged self.

Unconsciously to himself, Raymond La Bruce drifted into thinking more of his sweet sister than was good for his peace of mind. If she were absent, he chafed visibly till her return. When she laughingly related her own quests, at festivities, of masculine hearts—for she was very gay that winter—he found himself regarding her with gloomy brows.

"I really think Jessica is becoming serious over Tom Langtree's offer of marriage, and I hope that she will not like a sensible girl, and take him."

"Why? Are you tired of your own sister?" Raymond asked.

FOUND.

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